

(e) Rupees one lakh has been paid to the widows of the deceased bank employee.

(f) No, Sir.

(g) and (h) Dena Bank has reported that the outsider who died in this incident had come to meet one of the employees and was not a customer of the bank.

Ladies special Buses on D.T.C.Routes

5909. SHRI ANNA JOSHI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of ladies special buses had been plying on many D.T.C.routes in Delhi for the last several years;

(b) if so the details thereof;

(c) whether the Delhi Transport Corporation has discontinued a number of routes out of them during the last one year;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to restart the discontinued ladies special bus services from the Kendriya Terminal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (d). D.T.C. has been plying 137 ladies special trips on different routes in Delhi out of which five were discontinued due to low traffic offering during the last one year.

(e) There is no proposal at present to restart the discontinued trips because of low patronisation by the commuters and fleet constraints of DTC.

Expansion of U.P. Link Road (Noida Road) Into Six Lane

5910. SHRI V. SREENIVASAPRASAD: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposed to expand the U.P. Link Road (NOIDA Road) from four lane to six lane;

(b) if so, the detailed thereof; and

(c) the target date of completion of the work ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Constitutionally, this Ministry is responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways only. All other roads/bridges are essentially the responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territories concerned. The road in questions is a State road and is to be executed by Delhi Administration. According to information received from them, it is proposed to widen the road from its Junction with National Highway 24 bypass to Chilla regulator (3.83 km) and to strengthen the existing road.

(c) Since the estimate is under consideration, it is too early to give the target date for completion of the work.

Smuggling Activities Near Indian Shore

5911. SHRI ARJUN SINGH YADAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item captioned: "Contraband looted-Pak Indian Smugglers at Loggerheads" appearing in the Indian Express dated August 13, 1991;